

to accept conveyances from and grant patents to any such entrymen, selectors, grantees, patentees, their heirs or assigns, of any of the lands of the United States in the said townships open to entry or settlement which, in the judgment or discretion of said Secretary, it shall be just and equitable to grant or convey to such parties or any of them, to make up any deficiency or loss sustained by any such parties by reason of such faulty surveys, or by the meander lines, location, or existence of lakes or other bodies of water, not shown or incorrectly shown by such original faulty surveys of the United States in said townships, to the end that such entrymen, selectors, grantees, patentees, their heirs or assigns, may be duly vested with the title to such part of the lands of the United States as shall be necessary or proper to make up any deficiency in acreage or loss, as far as possible, due to such faulty survey, as shown by the resurvey of the said townships, preserving to the owners who have lands shown by the former faulty surveys to be actually bounded by lakes or other bodies of water, as far as practicable, the right to have patented to them the lands shown by such new resurveys to lie between their holdings and such lakes or bodies of water: *Provided*, That in the said adjustment no greater area shall be patented to any claimant than that which is surrendered by him or of which he is deprived by the fact that, under the corrected survey, the area to which title, derived from the United States, is now asserted by the entryman, selector, grantee, patentee, his heirs or assigns, is found to have no existence in fact, or to be covered by water and to have been so covered at the time of the faulty survey: *Provided further*, That nothing herein shall be construed as authorizing the Secretary of the Interior in the said settlement to patent to any entryman, selector, grantee, or patentee, or his heirs or assigns an area which, when added to the area retained by the said entryman, selector, grantee, patentee, or his heirs or assigns, shall give a larger acreage than that originally entered or thought to be acquired from the United States, or any grantee of the United States.

Boundaries on lakes,
etc., preserved.

Provisos.
Patents limited to
areas conveyed, etc.

Maximum allowed.

Surveys ordered.

SEC. 2. That the said Secretary of the Interior be, and is hereby authorized, to cause to be made such surveys or resurveys in said townships as may in his judgment be necessary in order to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Received by the President, October 20, 1919.

[NOTE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE.—The foregoing act having been presented to the President of the United States for his approval, and not having been returned by him to the house of Congress in which it originated within the time prescribed by the Constitution of the United States, has become a law without his approval.]

October 31, 1919.
[S. 794.]

[Public, No. 72.]

CHAP. 92.—An Act Granting lands for school purposes in Government town sites on reclamation projects.

Public lands.
School districts
granted lands within
reclamation town sites.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be and he is hereby authorized, upon application by the proper officers of a school district located wholly or in part within the boundaries of a project of the United States Reclamation Service, to issue patent conveying to such district such unappropriated undisposed of lands, not exceeding six acres in area, within any Government reclamation town site situated within such school district as, in the opinion of the Secretary of the Interior, are necessary for use by said

district for school buildings and grounds: *Provided*, That if any land so conveyed cease entirely to be used for school purposes title thereto shall revert to and revest in the United States.

Proviso.
Reversion for non-user.

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CHAP. 93.—An Act Making appropriations to supply deficiencies in appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1920, and prior fiscal years, and for other purposes.

November 4, 1919.
[H. R. 9205.]

[Public, No. 73.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to supply deficiencies in appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1920, and prior fiscal years, and for other purposes, namely:

First Deficiency Appropriation Act, 1920.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

For temporary employees for the Civil Service Commission, \$50,000: *Provided*, That not more than two persons shall be employed hereunder at a rate of compensation exceeding \$1,400 per annum and no person shall be employed hereunder at a rate of compensation exceeding \$1,800 per annum.

Civil Service Commission.

Temporary employees.
Proviso.
Pay restrictions.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC INFORMATION.

Authority is hereby granted the Director of the Council of National Defense to expend during the fiscal year 1920 the sum of \$32,000 from the funds now to the credit of the Committee on Public Information for necessary expenses incurred therefor since July 1, 1919, and for the expenses of auditing and closing the accounts and affairs of said committee. All unexpended balances of appropriations for and allotments to the Committee on Public Information shall remain available for payment under the direction of the Director of the Council of National Defense of such liabilities as were actually and necessarily incurred by the committee prior to June 30, 1919: *Provided*, That \$1,000,000 of such appropriations and allotments shall be covered into the Treasury immediately upon the passage of this Act.

Committee on Public Information.

Expenses of closing accounts, etc.
Post, p. 886.

Unexpended balances available for incurred liabilities.

Proviso.
Amount covered into the Treasury.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

District of Columbia.

SEWERS.

Sewers.

The unexpended balances of appropriations contained in the District of Columbia Appropriation Act for the fiscal year 1919 for main and pipe sewers and receiving basins, for suburban sewers, and for assessment and permit work, sewers, amounting in all to approximately \$120,000, are hereby reappropriated and continued available during the fiscal year 1920.

Main and pipe, suburban, etc.
Balances reappropriated.
Vol. 40, p. 929.

Upper Potomac interceptor: For additional amount required for completing the construction of the upper Potomac interceptor between Twenty-seventh and K Streets and the Chain Bridge, \$19,000.

Upper Potomac interceptor.